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Amendment dated October 22, 2003  
Reply to Office Action of July 24, 2003



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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of

**Michael A. McDonald, et al.**

Serial No.: 09/976,476

Filed: October 12, 2001

For: Paramagnetic Polymerized Protein  
Microspheres and Methods of Preparation  
Thereof

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Examiner: Hartley, Michael G.

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 24, 2003, please amend the instant application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.